THE ITALIAN

Against the Austro-German Lines in the Mountain Region of Northern Italy

CAPTURED STRONG POSITIONS, OVER 1,500 MEN

The Blow Was Delivered on the Asiago Plateau Sector, Where the Enemy Has Been Bringing Up Reinforcements Preparatory to Another Series of Attacks-Monday Night's Air Raid on London and Vicinity Resulted in 47 Deaths, With 169 Injured-The Bolsheviki Have Ordered the Seizure of Rumania's Gold Reserve on Deposit in Moscow-The Supreme War Council of the United States, Great Britain, France and Italy Has Convened at Versailles.

mespite strong counter-attacks, in which the Austro-Germans were repulsed with heavy castualties. The Ferlin war office in admitting the reverse to the Teutonic allied line, asserts that the Italians repeatedly tried to bring up reinforcements to widen the breaches they had made in the enemy front, but that their efforts fail-ed and that 360 Italians were made

Airplanes Aided the Italians. That airplanes aided materially in the fighting, full details of which have yet been received, is indicated in the Italian official communication, which asserts that during the progress of the battle the enemy lost twelve aircraft.

The victory of the Italians at this sarticular point is of considerable significance because of the fact that latenificance because of the fact that lately, since the enemy's strong attempts to break through from the hill region to the Venetian plain failed around Monte Tomba and sectors west, the Austro-Germans have been bringing up reinforcements in the Aslago diatrict preparatory to a further series of attacks to reneft the lowlands around Bassane and Vicenna.

Aside from the battle no important infantry operation have been recorded although the Germans have been operating with their artillery on a somewhat extensive scale on the Arras front and have carried out raiding operations on several other sectors of Field Marshal Haig's line.

Monday Night's Air Baid on England

killed and 169 injured. Forty-six of to be discussed.

Notwithstanding the fact that deep snows still cover the ground, the Italians have carried out successfully a spectacular drive against the Austro-German lines in the mountain region of northern Italy and captured strong positions and more than 1,500 men.

The blow was delivered on the Asiago plateau sector and the enemy positions penetrated were tenaciously held, despite strong counter-attacks, in the June raid 97 persons were killed and 437 wounded by bombs which fell in London and on Essex and Kent.

Situation in Russia Obscure.

Situation in Russia Obscure. Just what the situation in Russia remains obscure. One report asserts that there has been a split among the Bolsheviki on the question of peace on Germany's terms and another that Trotzky, the Bolshevik foreign minister, intends to return immediately to Brest Litovsk for a resumption of the peace conversations with the Austro. Breest Litovsk for a resumption of the peace conversations with the Austro-German delegates. Still another Petrograd despatch says Trotzky has reliterated to the Council of Workmen's and Soldiers' Delegates that the Bolsheviki will insist on a democratic peace. One Petrograd journal declares that Austria-Hungary already has offered to conclude a separate peace with Russia, regardless of Germany.

Breach Between Rumania and Russfi The breach between Russia and Runania meanwhile is broadening. In addition to severing diplomatic relations with the little kingdom, the Bolsheviki have ordered the seizure of Rumania's gold reserves on deposit in

Scant details have come through concerning the situation in Finland

representing the United States Great Britain, France and Italy in at-tendance, has convened at Versailles, France. The plans of the military campaism for the entente allies and of the United States forces are expected

Than Half Its Earnings.

plus for the same period amounted to \$16,268,272.

rectors declared an "extra" dividend of 2 per cent on the common stock, in addition to the regular common dividend of 1 1-3 preferred of 1 2-4. Including a Red Cross dividend of one

A REVOLUTION HAS BEEN

PROCLAIMED IN FINLAND

A General Strike Was Declared Mon-

gation.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE UNDER U. S. STEEL PAID THE FEDERAL RESERVE BOARD It Will Receive Reports on Each Indi-

Adoo are placed strictly under the supervision of the efderal reserve board, which will license dealers through fedperiodically on each individual pur-chane or sale. In this way the govgo to assist any enemy interests, and to provide a well organized method final quarter was \$48,535,344 and surplus for the pulse of the foreign ex-

The regulations were signed by President Wilson under authority of \$68,243,784, net income of \$55,245,277 the espionage and trading with the en- and surplus of \$21,824,554 for the preemy acts.

curities for foreign correspondents are required to obtain regisartion certificates by applying to the federal re-serve bank of the distris, and are to be grouped in three classes according to the nature of their business. Customers of these dealers then are to size a statement for each purchase or sale, showing the purpose, and declar-per cent. ing that no enemy or ally of enemy in-terest has any connection with the transaction. The statements must be filled with the federal reserve banks, together with weekly detailed reports from the foreign exchange dealers.

Total earnings for 1917 aggregated \$321.668.131, after charging off \$212,-467,249 to government taxes, etc. It is expected that this amount will be in-creased to \$225,000,000 when final re-turns are made to Washington.

THREE SEVERE EARTHSHOCKS AT GAUTEMALA CITY One Persons Was Killed and Severa

Others Were Injured. Gautebala City, Gautemala, Jan. 21 Three severe shocks of earthquake were felt last night. Many of the mildings damaged in the previous disturbances, which began at Christmas time, were completely razed. One person was killed and several others One announcing that the authority be-thers longs solely to the working classes and

rere injured,
The people are living in temporary
The people are living in temporary
Thacks or tents. The Red Cross conentration camp a mile outside the city furnishing food, clothing and shel-

Sanitary conditions are bad, but there has been no unusual sickness. The water supply is interrupted. Mar-tial law is in force. The food on and is sufficient for present needs,

DEPUTY DAIRY AND FOOD COMMISSIONER

P. O. Daniels of Middletown Has Beer Appointed.

Similar acts of destruction have oc-Hartford, Conn., Jan. 29.-It wa announced that P. O. Daniels of Mid-dictown had been appointed deputy dairy and food commissioner by Gov-ernor Marcus H. Holcomb. He takes Ten Hours' Notice for Rumanian L. London, Jan. 29.-A Reuter despatch the place left vacant by the recent from Petrograd dated Monday says advancement to commissioner of that the Rumanian legation received ten hours' notice to leave Russia and the late Frank H. Stadtmuel- would start for Stockholm at mid- the two men, and then jumped over-

Cable Paragraphs

nday, Jan. 28.—The sub-uring the first eleven days Anvass for Italy's fifth national stalled 2,555,000,000 lire. Of this ht 1,520,000,000 was in cash.

Armed Escort Vessel Torpedoed. London, Jan. 29.—The admiralty an-ounces that the armed escort vesse Mechanician was torpedeed and stranded in the English channel Jan. 20 and has become a total wreck. Three officers and ten men of the crew were lost.

15TH ANNUAL BANQUET OF

M'KINLEY ASSOCIATION Albert J. Bailey Elected Member **Executive Committee**

ring squad" for the man who hurls a boat attractive of human life or American industry was recommended by Senator Warren G. Hard-ing of Ohio in his speech at the fifeenth annual banquet of the Connecticut McKinley association here to-night. Senator Harding's plea of summary treatment for bomb throwers was cheered by the audience, which numbered many of the prominent nembers of the republican party in

Connecticut.
"From this time on," said Senator Harding, "the man who cloaks himself in the habiliments of American citi-zenship and feeds himself on American opportunity must be an Ameri-can, heart and soul. There are im-pudent Americans in our midst who ought to receive consideration from the authorities instantly. I declare of my own opinion here and now that the man who takes advantage of American hospitality and throws a bomb for the destruction of human life or casts a firebrand into the heart of American industry—I say a wall and a firing squad for him."

governor recounted the high place this state has taken in war preparations. He dwelt on the exacting of exorbitant rents by certain landlords and de-clared he would treat them as Senator Harding said he would treat the

Colonel Robert O. Eaton of North Haven submitted the report of a spe-cial committee announcing that Hart-ford had been chosen for the next banquet, and nominated the following officers, who were unanimously elected: President, George W. Klett, New ed: Preeident, George W. Klett, New Britain; secretary, Arthur Country-man, Hartford; treasurer, Hon. Charles Spencer, Suffield; executive committee, Morgan Bulkeley Brainard, Hartford county; W. Scott Eames, New Haven county; Edmund E. Crowe, Fairfield county; Edward Boyd, Litchfield county; Albert J. Balley, New London county; Frank W. yd, Litchfield county; Albert J. Bey, New London county; Frank W. Windham county; Wilson H. Reynolds, Middlesex county, and Hon.

REGISTRATION OF WOMEN

FOR WORK ON FARMS Planned by the Department of Labor for the Coming Year.

concerning the situation in Finland, but the reports indicate that the Red Guard is in control at Helsingfors, where a revolutionary manifesto has proclaimed that authority is solely in the hands of the working classes.

Supreme War Council Converes.

L. Berkman, chief of the divisional control of the country during the coming season. that every effort would be made to meet the expected shortage of farm labor by a plan to mobilize the availble men and women in every-com munity in the country. Heavy snows in the middle west, he said, should mean a large wheat crop and if the favorable weather continued one of the biggest yields on record may be

A special farm service man will be **GOVERNMENT \$60,950,364** mployment agencies of the country Mr. Berkman said, and, in additiostoffices in the small farm commu-tities will be used as receiving sta-New York, Jan. 29.—The United States Steel Corporation paid to the federal government more than half its earnings in the final quarter of 1917, according to a restoration. tions, the postmaster or some other representative citizen acting as copr-

munity labor agent.

Women, Mr. Berkman said, will be needed for truck gardening, fruit gathering, dairying and other light forms earnings in the final quarter of 1917, according to a statement of the cor-poration issued today. Total earnings for that period amounted to \$59,7724,125, after making of labor, but they will not be called pon for the heavy work so long as allowance for \$60,950,364 paid into the

JARS AT TERRYVILLE. of Two Children.

Terryville, Conn., Jan. 29.-The illliscovery that a jelly being sold here Dr. A. A. Dewey was called to attend the children and oday to attend the sought in their recent diet for some-thing that might have caused their in a local store. The presence of a substance resembling glass was

At the grocery where the jelly was sold examination of other jars reveal-ed the fact that they also were filled with the same adulterant. Seven of these containers and their contents have been sent to Hartford for analysis at the bureau of investigation.

Before the jelly was sent to Hartford for analysis tests of the substance were made by boiling in water to as-certain if the transparent particles recrystalized sugar or fruit acids. This test showed the particles to be insolu-ble and further trials demonstrated Petrograd, Jan. 29.—A revolution of the proletariat has been proclaimed in Finland and the social democratic committee has published a manifesto beyond question that they were glass,

90,000 ON STRIKE IN

BERLIN AND ENVIRONS Most of the Strikers Are Youthful

the organs representing them.

A general strike, excluding, however, electric light station, pharmacies, hospitals and provision shops, was declared on Monday at Helsingfors. The Central Committee of Workmen has declared a state of siege, prohibiting the carrying of arms except by the Red Guard, which is entrusted with the maintenance of order.

Counter-revolutionary, acts, and Workers of Both Sexes. Amsterdam, Jan. 29 .- Up until eve ing of Monday, according to a Berlin despatch, not a single incident con-nected with the strike was reported. In Berlin and environs the total num-ber of those who failed to appear for Counter-revolutionary acts and looting, it is announced will be suppressed with full rigor of the revoluwork was ninety thousand, most of them youthful workers of both sexes tionary laws. White guards and sen-ators are being arrested.

Some of the White Guard blew up the rallroad bridge near Coria station.

TRAGIC HAPPENINGS ON Arrived in Port With Captain Missing,

First Officer and Steward Dead. An Atlantic Port, Jan. 29.-With the captain missing and the first officer and steward dead, the Swedish steamer Anglesia arrived here tonight, having put in en route to a South American port. Unconfirmed reports were that the capatin became insane, shot

To Register Youths **Climax of Shortage** 21 Since June 5 of Fuel in Boston

48-HOUR PERIOD

Stores and Factories-Order Applies

to Factories With War Contracts

Many of these plants have sufficient

mittee explained that they could re

COAL ENOUGH FOR TWO WEEKS

eizure of Coal in Waterbury for Do

ficient for 48 hours.

He says that there are 500 cars of

fuel held up at Maybrook, all destined to Connecticut points, and west o

It had been planned to have coal for domestic consumption brought through Long Island sound to New Haven and from there taken by train

inland, but when application was made

to Washington for sanction it was

Wrecking of Buildings, Fighting an

Robbery Are General.

tro-German prisoners being released It is stated that these prisoners have been given a free hand and that hun-

dreds of them have been permitted to

Honor System Established by Wealthy

Women of New York City.

New York, Jan. 29. - This city's

VOLUNTARY RATIONING

Seizure of coal for domestic use

BOLSHEVIHI RUNNING

del4gates.

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FOOD SAVING BY

ANOTHER AIR RAID

It is Reported That Bombs Have Bee

Dropped in Outskirts of London.

London Jan. 30, 12.48 a. m .- Anothe

to penetrate the London defenses, al-though there are reports that bombs

mave been dropped in the outskirts of

horized today by the Interstate Com-nerce commission. This follows the

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PLAN IS PROPOSED BY THE WAR ORDER RESTRICTING DISTRIBU-DEPARTMENT TORS OF COAL

TO HOLD NEW DRAWING FOR

To Establish the Order of the Liabil

Washington, Jan., 29.—Expansion of America's fighting forces beyond their acute fuel shortage here the Boston present strength depends upon such fuel committee tonight issued an oractors as events abroad and the shipder to retail coal dealers prohibiting ping situation, Secretary Eaker said distribution of coal to office buildings, tonight in disclosing that the war destores and factories for a period of 48 partment has not fixed a date for an-other draft, nor even determined how many new men shall be called. When Mr. Baker told the senate military hours, beginning at 4 a. m. tomorrow. The order applies to factories with war contracts as well as to those withcommittee yesterday the United States would have a half million men in France early this year, and in all a million and a half could go across it ships could be found to carry them, he referred to the divisions now in training camps and those already in Europe. the large department stores, it is un-derstood, have fuel enough for a few Future developments will decide what additional forces will be sent.

Second Draft Might Bring 1,000,000 The secretary made clear today his opinion that if events made it necessary to call out more than another increment of half a million men the executive's authority to draft men for fighting units other than reserves would be exhausted and further legslation by congress would be neces The other speakers were Governor the authorify to call two increments of line soldiers of 500,000 each and governor recently and Lieutenant of line soldiers of 500,000 each and governor recently and the such additional representations of the such addit bettalions and special units "as the president may deem necessary," the second draft might bring out in all as second draft might bring out in all as The Shore Line trolley comparates.

The Shore Line trolley comparates full for but two days.

The administrator states that while some factories have enough coal to last for months, others have only suf-

The senate committee today tenta-tively approved legislation proposed by the war department to provide for the registration of youths, attaining the age of 21 years since June 5, au-thorizing the fixing of quotas on the hasis of class one of the new classi-fication and empowering the president to call men for special industrial or other work. Provost Morshel General other work. Provost Marshal General Crowder appearing to explain the bills, told the committee it was proposed to hold a new drawing to establish the order of liability of the new registrants. When the new men have been given their serial numbers their given their serial numbers, their names will be inserted in the classes to which they may be assigned, ac-cording to the plan now being worked

It is assumed, General Crowder said that most of the new registrants will fall into class one, giving that class this year a total of some two million more men. From class one it is proposed to take the next and any fu-

Not to Exempt Men Who Reach 31 Although Secretary Baker today reiterated his desire to have exempted registered men who reach the age of 31 years without being called into the military service, the committee refus-ed to include such a provision in the legislation. General Crowler dis-approved the suggestion. The bills senate tomorrow by Senator Chamberprobably will be introduced in the senate tomorrow and Senator Chamberlain said tonight they would be pressed for eaarly passage

GERMAN TRADES UNIONS

DEMAND PEACE REPLY A Definite Statement of Germany's War Aims in the West,

London, Jan. 29.—The Korrenspon-denzblatt, the organ of the General Commission of Trades Unions of Germany, says that thetrades unions demand as a reply to Premier Lloyd George's speech a definite statement of Germany's war aims in the west. Vorwaerts under the heading "Ger-many Take Heed," says: "The move-ment going through the masses rests on deep moral grounds; it is born of the fear that they have been misled." The Vorwaerts adds that they will not let themselves be pursuaded that their happiness is to be sought by de-feat and civil war, but, it continues: They want food and peace and Ger many free outwardly and inwardly.

And any attempt to hold them by force is dangerous. All thoughts of an attempt to force on the people aims which prolong the war, aims for which they never fought, or to keep from the people their promised rights, can only work as disintegrating factors. That today is our greatest danger." PART GYROSCOPE PLAYS

IN CONTROLLING TORPEDOES

in Federal Court in Brooklyn.

twelve years of his service the United States navy in the study and operation of torpedoes, detailed the part the gyroscope plays in controlling their course, when called as a witness today in the case of Paul C. H. Hennig, a former subject of Germany, on trial in the federal court in Brooklyn, an infinitesimal variance from pre-

an infinitesimla variance from scribed measurements in any of the "gyro" parts such as Hennig is alleged to have "maliciously and trai-torously mutilated," while a foreman in the plant of E. W. Bliss and Company, would cause the torpedo which the assembled gyroscope used to veer far from its course.

WORE RED CARNATIONS

Chief Justice White and Associat Justices of the Supreme Court.

Washington, Jan. 29.-Chief Justic White and the associate justices of the supreme court wore red carnations on their robes today in honor of Mc-Kinley's birthday. The carnations are presented annually by Associate Justice Day, who lives in Canton, O. the home of the former president.

Rumanian Premier Has Resigned.

Amsterdam, Jan. 29.—A despatch from Berlin received here says that the Rumanian premier, J. C. C. Bratiano, has resigned. He will be succeeded, according to the despatch, by General Fofoza Averysco, former minister of war and levely commander of the Rumanian forces in Dobrudia.

Paris, Jan. 29.—Brief details of the wounding of Major General Leonard Wood, of the United States army, while on a visit to the French front, have been received. General Wood was hit by a fragment of a gun which burst while being tested. His injuries, which are considered serious, but he was brought to a hospital here.

Condensed Telegrams

All the Brooklyn high schools have

Leander Richardson, a well-known

One heat prostration was reported

ook a sudden trend upward. An American patrol boat was re-ported to the Navy Department ashore on a rock in European waters.

The casualties of the British army last week totaled 8,588 men. Out of this number only five officers were

Police Commissioner Enright, New York, appointed Mrs. Ellen O'Grady as fifth deputy police com-Boston, Jan. 29.—Because of the

Two airplanes collided in midair at North Island, San Diego, at a height of 300 feet, crashing to earth. The pilots were killed.

An engineer organization for the operation of tanks with the American army in France, is being formed at Camp Upton, N. Y. According to word received at Ammain open and as long as their supply of coal holds out. The order does not prohibit the use of wood. Most of sterdam from Bremen eight German vessels were lost in a fire in a ship-yard near that city.

A London report announces that 39 enemy airplanes and five balloons were brouht down during the

Railway traffic in Toronto was practically tied up Monday, and a blizzard is expected to demoralize all railway ervice in the province.

Hartford, Conn., Jan. 29.-A state According to news reaching Stockment issued by Fuel Administrator Thomas W. Russell says that there there is a revolution brewing n Finland against the rule of are but two or three towns in Conolsheviki Government.

Waldo H. Marshall, of New York, former president of the American Locomotive Co., was appointed assistar rdnance producing chief.

The stallion Marathon has been sold by J. B. Respers, to Capt. J. K. L. Ross, Canadian race horse breeder. The price was \$30,000 Three captains and two lieutenants,

from New Jersey failed to pass physical tests of officers given Camp McClellan, Alabama. soldiers at Camp Upton, in several addresses, that the general condition

of the camp was splendid. Frank P. Woods, of lows, was elected at the Republican House cau-cus chairman of the Republican conseizure of coal for domestic use has been sanctioned and utilized in Water-bury and probably will be in other places. The places hardest hit by the coal shortage are Windsor Locks, Farmington, New London and towns

Otto Mawlwitz, formerly employed the the Sayville wireless station by the German Government to supervise mechanical work, will be interned

Mabel Johnson, 25 years old, of Chicago, seven ad one-half feet tall, is in St. Bernard's hospital to under-go an operation to stop her growth. RIOTOUS IN SIBERIA Reports to the superintendent of the main line of the Reading shows signs of a serious tie-up from the snow

Harbin, Manchuria, Jan. 29.—Tweny-two persons were killed in a fight at Tomsk when the Bolsheviki broke up wrich is from eight to ten inches deep Despatches received from Joseph P. Tumulty, secretary to Blagovestchensk, in Siberia, and cap-ital of the province of Amur, says the President, is being urged to ie a candidate

local assembly and that fighting and The Russian Consul-General Pon An army of 400,000 Greeks is being aised to help the American troops off at Harbin is on his way to Peking to present to the representatives of in the war next spring, it was the entente allies a plan for raising a Bolsheviki and to protest against Aus-

Two large American flags were con-sumed by fire when the little building on the roof of a 20-story skyscraper in Broad street, Manhattan, was slightly

Food Administrator Hoover alarmed over the prospects of a large percentage of the corn crop going to

Another snowstorm, the third in three days prevails in Pennsylvania, wealthiest women, co-operating with and throughout the coal region. Federal Food Administrator Hoover, mining and shipping of coal has have organized an "honor system for greatly slowed down.

food saving by voluntary rationing."
Intended exclusively for "the housewives of those families which are ordered that all the motorcycle blessed with a large share of this licemen wear uniforms hereafter, world's goods," the federal food board Some of the motorcycle men wore

world's goods," the reueral root announced tonight.

The movement began two weeks ago at a gathering of society women in the home of Mrs. William Douglas Sloan, when the slogan, "We haven't done enough for our country; we done enough for our country; we were out on bail after being sentenced for trying to defeat the selective draft law. shall do more," was adopted. It is ed for try hoped to enroll 60,000 women at the head of the households in this city.

United States Senator Bert M. Fer nald of Maine whose term expired in March 1919, filed papers as a can-OVER EASTERN ENGLAND. didate for renomination on the held in June.

...Shortage of fuel in Washington re-sulted in the closing of six public schools and an order from Superinhostile air raid over eastern England began at 9.30 o'clock last night and lic schools be closed tomorrow unti up to the present hour is still in progress, according to an official com-munication just issued. None of the enemy machines has as yet been able

Mayor Hylan, in a letter to Murray Hulbert commissioner of docks and ferries requested that the use of state barge canals be carried out to the fullest extent, as failure to do so is a

The elopement of Louis Burlingame formerly manager of the Empire Ho-tel, Syracuse, and Miss June Morgan, a belle of Utica, ended behind prison bars at Rochester. Burlingame is ac-CENTS A TON ON COAL Washington, Jan. 29.—Filing of tariffs providing for increases of 15 cents a ton on coal from points in the

lowa, the first state to report in the drive for a voluntary enrollment 250,000 shipbuilders, informed department of labor tonight that men signed up the opening day of the three weeks' campaign. The enrollthree weeks' campaign. The enroll-ment was more than 8 per cent. of Iowa's quota.

Lieutenant George H. Morse, Jr., United States Marine Corps, was re-ported shot through the hip by a na-tive near La Romana, Santo Domingo, in a despatch received at the navy de-partment. The wound is not regarded as serious. Lieutenant Morse's father George H. Morse, lives at Brockto

Rome, Monday, Jan. 23.—The Vati-can, according to the report here, is compiling a White Book, containing the diplomatic documents from the

Priority Probably Will Continue to be Given to Food and Fuel for Many Weeks

BAD WEATHER HAMPERED FREIGHT MOVEMENT

Necessary Materials and Supplies for War Manufactures Are to be Given Preference Over Other Commodities-The Railroad Administrator Has Decided to Modify the Drastic Demurrage Regulation, by Reducing Rates After the Two Free Days Term to \$3 a Day for Four Days, \$6 a Day for Three Succeeding Days and \$10 a Day Thereafter-Railroads Have Taken Steps to Discharge a Number of Attorneys in Various Localities.

Washington, Jan. 29.—Freight congestion on eastern railroads probably cannot be cleaned up before the middle or latter part of March, railroad bargoes will be declared by Director sannot be cleaned up before the midlle or latter part of March, railroad
dministration officials announced tonight. Bad weather this week has
provided the culminating misfortune
or which is bead that no general embargoes will be declared by Director
General McAdoo, although individual
railroads will be given free hand in
refusing to accept shipments whennight. Bad weather this week has provided the culminating misfortune n which is based the conviction that It will take at least six weeks more advisable.

Officials admitted that many of these

rail arteries. Even without the expected thaw which may send rivers flooding above their banks, officials say recovery from the unprecedented period of blizzard weather would be slow. Floods would entire east will not be lifted for sevmake conditions far worse. Prepara-tions have been made to fight high waters which are feared throughout the east and which have already devel-oped in the mountains of Virginia, West Virginia and Kentucky, with se-

To Continue Unusual Measures.

Because of this situation, both the railroad and fuel administrations are general freight would have to take its gregate balance for all cars. An order chances in moving. Food will have similar preference and necessary materials and supplies for war manufactures are to proceed under the preference given such commodities by Director General McAdoo's recent order.

Hundreds of applications for special fitting the steps to discharge a number of attentions for special fitting the steps to discharge a number of attentions for special fitting where the prefer for them is small fitting where the prefer for the agreement of the a

Hundreds of applications for special consideration in supply of empty box cars reached the railroad administra-tion today and were referred to the war or navy departments, which will ine finally whether certain ship ments deserve preferential treatment. These petitions ordinarily should go to one of the three regional directors.

FLOOD WARNINGS ISSUED FOR EASTERN KENTUCKY

Kentucky and Big Sandy and Oth-

Louisville, Ky., Jan. 29 - Flood warnings, issued by the Louisville weather bureau last night for eastern Ken-tucky, were followed today by reports of rising waters in the Cumberland, Kentucky, Big Sandy and other of rising waters in the Cumberiand, Kentucky, Big Sandy and other streams. Damage in the aggregate, while considerable, largely was confin-ed to farm losses and the flooding of low-lying portions of valleys. It was indicated, however, that the breaking ice gorges, releasing impris-oned floods, might produce serious, sit-

CABLE AND TELEGRAPH LINES TO RUSSIA CUT

Washington Jan 29 -Cable and telegraph lines to Russia have cut, American Minister Morris

Stockholm reported today, and the tion with Petrograd now are through Persia and Vladivostok.

The land lines were severed, Mr.

Morris reported at Haparanda and the

UKRAINIAN TROOP DEFEATED Wireless Message Says They Taken Possession of Lutsk.

Geneva, Jan. 29.—After three days fighting the Ukrainian rada's troops have defeated the Bolshevik army and taken possession of Lutsk, according to a wireless message from Kiev to the Ukrainian committee here. The fighting was extremely severe and the osses on both sides were heavy. Airplanes, the message adds, great-ly aided the Ukrainians in gaining the

1.033 BRITISH VESSELS 763 Were Over 1,600 Tons and 270 Un-

New York, Jan. 29.—The announced sinkings of British ships for the year up to and including the week end ing January 23, have been 1,033 vessels of which 763 were over 1,600 tons and BY VILLA FOLLOW. 270 were under that figure.

RECORD PRICES FOR FURS A Small Russian Sable Sold for \$203

Demurrage Rates Modified The railroad administration today lecided to modify the drastic demurrage regulations put into effect last week by restoring the so-called aver-age agreement for cars held for un-

eral days.

ever local conditions make this course

local embargoes probably would be put into effect during the next two months. The official embargo now

loading only, and by reducing rates after the two days' free time to \$3 a day for four days, \$5 a day for three succeeding days, and \$10 a day thereplanning a continuance of unusual after. By the average agreement if measures to keep coal moving to consuming points. It was said today that day, for instance, he receives credit priority probably would continue to be given fuel for many weeks, and that

> attorneys maintained in various local-ities, where the need for them is small, n compliance with Director General in compliance with Director delay McAdoo's order. Employes listed as "business agents" but actually serving as lobbyists before state legislatures also are among those whose dismissal is looked for. Traffic soliciting agents will be dropped as fast as rails can arrange the change in business

HAVE BEEN SUNK Submarines, Mines and Raiders 171,061 Gross Tonnage.

New York, Jan. 29.—In the twelve conths or unrestricted warfare nunched one year ago Friday, there have been sunk by submarines, mines and raiders 69 American vessels to-talling 171,061 gross tons, according to a careful compilation of records of sinkings which have been made public during the period.

Offsetting this loss of American vessels, most of which were sailing ships the United States since February 1 has added to her merchant marine by the seizures of former German and Austrian owned ships, a total of 197 vessels having a gross tonnage of 686,494, leaving on the credit side of the American ledger in the account with the central powers, a net gain of 155,433 gross tons. The loss of life caused by the sinking of the 69 American ships was more than 300 persons,

however. The percentage of sinkings of American ships compared with the number of vessels which have salled through the war zone successfully is small, Records of the department of com-Records of the department of com-merce show that for the period be-ginning with February 1, 1917, and ending with December 1, there were cleared from Anderican ports in the foreign trade ships aggregating 17, 738,900 net, or approximately 34,934,-460 grosy tons. The number of ships making up the total of terre made public by the department.

TO RELY UPON HONOR OF NEW YORK POLICEMEN Police Commissioner Enright Has

Abolished "Shoo Fly" System. New York, Jan. 39 .-- Police Commissioner Enright announced in an address today to several hundred police lieutenants that the "shoo fly" system which has been perhaps the most unpopular policy in the depart-ment would be abolished and that ev-ery policeman hereafter would be put cn his konor to perform his duties.

The "shoo fly" or policeman in cit-izen's clothes, spied on captains, lieutenants and patrolmen, and made con-

fidential reports to the commissioner of their delinouencies. The system was started in Mayor Strong's administration in 1895 when Colonel Roose-velt was appointed president of the

BY VILLA FOLLOWERS More Than 110 Soldiers and Passeng-

110 soldiers and passengers were kill-ed by Villa followers Saturday, 25 miles south of Santa Rosalia, when New York, Jan. 29.—Record prices for several varieties of furs were obtained today at the mid-winter auction sale here. A Russian sable not much larger than a sheet of note paper sold for \$203 and two fishers brought \$33 each. Otter brought \$71.50, dressed blue fox \$153; raw blue for \$95-and cross for \$144.